## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY



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### **Situation Report**

#### Severe Storms

July 20, 2006 9 a.m.

#### SUMMARY:

State officials are in contact with local St. Louis Officials concerning the storms during the evening of July 19-20, 2006 in the St. Louis Metro area. Initial reports indicate approximately 500,000 AmerenUE customers are without electrical power, approximately 30 injuries have been reported, storm debris throughout the city and damage to buildings occurred as a result of high winds and possible tornado activity.

A precautionary boil order for water has been issued for North County areas affected by the power outage.

Washington County, (Potosi) has reported some storm related damage and preliminary information is still coming into SEMA Duty Officer. Some power had been restored to parts of the water system early this morning.

Electrical Power outage compounds concerns due to on-going high heat conditions in Missouri.

#### City of St. Louis:

City Public Safety Officials have been conducting damage assessments this morning. 10of 14 cooling stations in the city are without power, and plans are to use 10, 60 passenger busses as temporary cooling sites throughout the city for heat relief. City crews will be working on debris removal for the next two days or so. City workers are conducting door-to-door health checks to locate people who may need assistance. Red Cross and Salvation Army officials have been contacted to coordinate any assistance they can offer.

#### State Actions:

SEMA has activated at a level 1 at this time. Representatives from DNR, MoDOT, DHSS and MoNG have been requested to report to the EOC for coordination of state response actions.

MoNG and Army Corps of Engineers have been contacted on availability of power generators if needed. SEMA staff are continuing to collect information from metro and outlying areas of the state effected by this storm system. SEMA will coordinate with FEMA Region 7 and continue to monitor situation and respond to requests for support.

#### Other State Agency and Volunteer Agency Actions:

Red Cross and Salvation Army have been in contact with St. Louis City officials

#### **Point of Contact:**

SEMA Duty Officer after hours (Starting at 4:30 pm) number is 573-751-2748. During normal duty hours calls should be made to 573-526-9100.

This Situation Report and other storm-related information may be viewed at the following web address:

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